# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

Chapter 11

In re: WINC, INC. et al.,  Debtors.	Case No. 22-11238 (LSS)  (Jointly Administered)  Objection Deadline: March 6, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. (ET) Hearing Date: Only in the event necessary		
FOR ALLOWANCE OF COMP EXPENSES WITH RESPECT TO TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTE	TION OF A.M. SACCULLO LEGAL, LLC ENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF SERVICES RENDERED AS CO-COUNSEL E OF UNSECURED CREDITORS FOR THE 022 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022		
Name of Applicant:	A.M. Saccullo Legal, LLC		
Authorized to Provide Professional Service	os to: Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors		
Date of Retention:	Order entered February 10, 2023, effective as of December 15, 2022		
Period for which Compensation and Reimbursement are sought:	December 15, 2022 through December 31, 2022		
Amount of Compensation sought as actual, reasonable and necessary:	<u>\$51,070.00</u>		
Amount of Expense Reimbursement sought as actual, reasonable and necessary:	<u>\$335.01</u>		
This is an: <u>x</u> Monthly	interim final application.		

The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: Winc, Inc. (8960); BWSC, LLC (0899); and Winc Lost Poet, LLC (N/A). The Debtors' mailing address for purposes of these chapter 11 cases is 1751 Berkeley Street, Studio 3, Santa Monica, CA 90404.

### **SUMMARY OF PRIOR MONTHLY APPLICATIONS**

#	Date Filed	Period Covered	Fees Requested	Expenses Requested	Fees Approved	Expenses Approved
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL			\$00.00	\$00.00	N/A	N/A

### **COMPENSATION BY INDIVIDUAL**

Name & Year Admitted	Hours Billed	Hourly Rate	Amount of Fee
Anthony M. Saccullo Admitted 2001	36.7	\$550.00	\$20,185.00
Mark T. Hurford Admitted 1994	59.5	\$515.00	\$30,642.50
Thomas Kovach Admitted 2000	0.0	\$515.00	\$0.00
Mary (Meg) Augustine Admitted 2003	0.5	\$485.00	242.50
TOTAL	96.70		\$51,070.00

### **COMPENSATION BY PROJECT CATEGORY**

Project Category	Total Hours	Total Fees	
Asset Analysis & Recovery	0.0	\$0.00	
Asset Disposition	43.2	\$22,944.50	
Business Operations	0.0	\$0.00	
Case Administration	9.2	\$4,738.00	
Claims Administration	0.0	\$0.00	
Creditor Communications	2.4	\$1,257.00	
DIP Lien Investigation	9.2	\$4,783.50	
DIP/Cash Collateral	17.2	\$9,189.50	
Employee Issues	0.0	\$0.00	
Executory Contract/Leases	0.0	\$0.00	
Litigation	10.1	\$5,355.50	
Non-Working Travel	0.0	\$0.00	

Plan & Disclosure Statement	3.1	\$1,596.50
Retention/Fee Applications	0.0	\$0.00
Retention/Fee App – Other Firms	2.3	\$1,205.50
Stay Relief	0.0	\$0.00
TOTAL:	96.70	\$51,070.00

## EXPENSE SUMMARY

<b>Expense Category</b>	Provider, if applicable	Total Expenses For the Monthly Period
Outside Paralegal, Reproduction & Courier Service	Parcels	\$335.01
Filing Fees	United States District Court	\$0.00
PACER Fees		\$0.00
Total:		\$335.01

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WINC, INC. et al.,<sup>2</sup> Case No. 22-11238 (LSS)

(Jointly Administered)

Debtors.

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**Hearing Date: Only in the event necessary** 

FIRST MONTHLY APPLICATION OF A.M. SACCULLO LEGAL, LLC FOR ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES WITH RESPECT TO SERVICES RENDERED AS CO-COUNSEL TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 15, 2022 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022

Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 330 and 331, Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, Rule 2016-2 of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Local Rules"), and the Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Professionals (the "Interim Compensation Order") [D.I. 126], the law firm of A.M. Saccullo Legal, LLC ("AMSL") hereby submits this first monthly application ("Application") for allowance of compensation for professional legal services rendered as co-counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee"), in the amount of \$51,070.00, together with reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred in the amount of \$335.01, for the period commencing December 15, 2022 through December 31, 2022 (the "Fee Period"). In support of this Application, AMSL respectfully represents as follows:

The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: Winc, Inc. (8960); BWSC, LLC (0899); and Winc Lost Poet, LLC (N/A). The Debtors' mailing address for purposes of these chapter 11 cases is 1751 Berkeley Street, Studio 3, Santa Monica, CA 90404.

#### JURISDICTION AND BASIS FOR RELIEF

- 1. This Court has subject-matter jurisdiction to hear and determine this Application under 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334, and the Amended Standing Order of Reference from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware dated as of February 29, 2012. This is a core proceeding under 28 U.S.C. § 157(b), and this Court has constitutional authority to hear and decide this Application. Venue is proper in this Court under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.
- 2. The legal authorities supporting the relief sought herein are §§ 330, 331, 503(b)(2), and 507(a)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code, Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, Local Rule 2016-2, and the Interim Compensation Order.

#### **BACKGROUND**

- 3. On December 1, 2022, each of the Debtors filed a voluntary petition (the "Chapter 11 Cases") for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. The Debtors continue to operate their businesses as debtors-in-possession pursuant to sections 1107 and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. No trustee or examiner has been appointed in these cases.
- 4. On December 12, 2022, the Office of the United States Trustee for Region 3 notified the Court that, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1102, it had appointed the Committee. [D.I. 213]. On December 15, 2022, the Committee selected ArentFox Schiff LLP to serve as its counsel in the Chapter 11 Cases and for AMSL to serve as co-counsel.
- 5. On January 13, 2023, the Committee filed the Application of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors for an Order Authorizing the Employment and Retention of A.M. Saccullo Legal, LLC, as its Co-Counsel Effective as of December 15, 2022 [D.I. 173] (the "Retention Application").

6. On February 10, 2023, this Court entered the Order Approving Application of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors for Entry of an Order Authorizing the Employment and Retention of A.M. Saccullo Legal, LLC, as its Co-Counsel, Effective as of December 15, 2022 [D.I. 234].

# SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES REQUESTED

- 7. Attached hereto as Exhibit A, is a detailed statement of AMSL's fees incurred during the Fee Period. AMSL rendered <u>96.70</u> hours of professional services during the Fee Period, resulting in fees totaling \$51,070.00.
- 8. The services rendered by AMSL during the Fee Period are grouped into categories set forth in Exhibit A. The statement complies with the requirements set forth in Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, Local Rule 2016-2, the Guidelines adopted by the U.S. Trustee, and the Interim Compensation Order, including through the use of itemized time entries and separate matter numbers for different project types. All services for which compensation is requested by AMSL were performed for and on behalf of the Committee.
- 9. In addition, Exhibit A also provides a detailed summary of AMSL's out of pocket expenses incurred during the Fee Period. AMSL requests reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred during the Fee Period in the amount of \$335.01. Pursuant to the Local Rules, AMSL represents that it charges \$0.10 per page for copies. AMSL does not charge its clients for incoming facsimile transmissions. AMSL has negotiated a discounted rate for Westlaw computer-assisted legal research. AMSL passes through on an exact cost basis all computer-assisted research charges. As described in the Retention Application, AMS does not employ para-professionals—the services customarily rendered by para-professionals are rendered by a third-party service

provider, at a pre-negotiated expense. These expenses are passed through to the Debtors without mark-up for AMSL, and the actual charges are in compliance with the relevant Local Rules, if any.

- 10. During the Fee Period, AMSL received no payment and no promises of payment from any source for services rendered or to be rendered in any capacity whatsoever with respect to the matters covered by this Application. There is no agreement or understanding between AMSL and any other person, other than the attorneys of AMSL, as described in the Retention Application, for the sharing of compensation to be received for services rendered in these Chapter 11 cases.
- 11. The fees charged by AMSL in these Chapter 11 cases are billed in accordance with its existing billing rates and procedures in effect during the Fee Period. The hourly rates and corresponding rate structure AMSL uses in these cases are the same as the hourly rates and corresponding rate structure that AMSL uses in other restructuring matters, as well as similar complex corporate and litigation matters, whether in court or otherwise, regardless of whether a fee application is required.
- 12. The billing rates are reasonable based on the customary compensation charged by comparably skilled practitioners in comparable non-bankruptcy cases in a competitive national legal market.

#### **VALUATION OF SERVICES**

- 13. AMSL rendered <u>96.70</u> hours of professional services during the Fee Period.
- 14. The attorneys who rendered services are identified on Exhibit A, attached hereto. The hourly rates set forth therein are AMSL's normal hourly rates of compensation for work of this character. The reasonable value of the services rendered by AMSL during the Fee Period is \$51,070.00.

15. AMSL believes that the time and expense entries included in Exhibit A attached

hereto are in compliance with the requirements of Del. Bankr. L.R. 2016-2.

16. The professional services performed by AMSL were necessary and appropriate to

the administration of these Chapter 11 cases. Compensation for these services as requested is

commensurate with the complexity, importance, and nature of the problems, issues, or tasks

involved.

17. To the extent time for services rendered or expenses incurred during the Fee Period

were not processed prior to the preparation of this Application, or to the extent AMSL has, for any

other reason, not sought compensation or reimbursement of expenses herein with respect to any

services rendered or expenses incurred during the Fee Period, AMSL reserves the right to request

additional compensation for such services and reimbursement of such expenses in a future

application.

**CONCLUSION** 

WHEREFORE, A.M. Saccullo Legal, LLC respectfully requests that the Court enter an

Order (a) approving this Application and allowing on an interim basis the request for \$40,856.00,

representing 80% of the total amount of fees and 100% of the expenses incurred during the Fee

Period; and (b) granting such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: February 14, 2023

Wilmington, Delaware

Respectfully submitted,

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